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TO: Board Members

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SUBJECT: Antelope Valley Career Academy, Inc. Vocational Nursing Program –
Status Report Regarding Provisional Accreditation Noncompliance;
(Director: Belen Malayang, Palmdale, Los Angeles County, Private)

On February 1, 2008, the Board placed Antelope Valley Career Academy, Inc. Vocational Nursing Program on provisional accreditation due to the program's violation of Vocational Nursing Rules and Regulations, Section 2530 (l), which states:

"The program shall maintain a yearly average minimum pass rate on the licensure examination that does not fall below 10 percentage points of the state average pass rate for first time candidates of accredited vocational nursing schools for the same period."

Board staff has responded to the program's questions relative to its prior class admissions. Correspondence has been exchanged in an attempt to assist the program with regulatory compliance. The Board became aware of the program's admission of a full-time class of 18 students on April 30, 2008, with a projected graduation date of April 9, 2009. This class was admitted without Board approval.

An informational update was presented at the September 8, 2008, Advisory Committee Meeting. A follow-up report was scheduled for presentation at the February 2009 Board meeting.

On January 9, 2009, the Board received correspondence and supporting documents relative to the status of the program. Based on current and projected enrollment data, the program will have a maximum of 63 students after admission of the full-time class admitted January 12, 2009. No further violations are identified relative to the program's admission of classes without prior Board authorization.

The program has been placed on the September 2009 agenda for the Board's reconsideration of the program's accreditation status.